

(4) Mini cement plants set up in hilly and remote areas will be eligible for additional excise duty relief and/or cash subsidy on merit.

(5) Mini cement plants will be also eligible for all other existing incentive and facilities available under the Income Tax Act and/or under other schemes offered by the State Governments.

As far as the State Government is concerned, all the incentives and concessions applicable to new industrial undertakings will be available to the mini-cement plants also.

(c) M/s. Karnataka Cements have completed formalities like acquisition of lands, obtaining a Mining Lease for Lime Stone etc., and have submitted their loan application with Industrial Finance Corporation of India Limited. They are awaiting the decision of the financial institutions for the grant of the loan.

(d) About 24 months.

Sericulture in Krishnarajapur Taluk

914. SRI H. VISWANATH (Krishnarajanagar).—Will the Minister of State for Sericulture and Youth Services be pleased to state.—

(a) the extent of land in which Sericulture Crop has been developed in Krishnarajanagar Taluk;

(b) whether Government intend to open a Government Sericulture Farm in this Taluk for the benefit of Sericulturists and Development of Sericulture;

(c) if so, the step that would be taken by the Government to open a Sericulture Farm early;

(d) whether Government intend to extend the World Bank assistance scheme to this Taluk also ?

SMT. RENUKA RAJENDRAN (Minister of State for Sericulture and Youth Services).—

(a) In 183 acres.

(b) No

(c) This question does not arise.

(d) Yes.